

Department of Inspector General Office of Medicaid Inspector General

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Quarterly Report Statistics and Information

This quarterly report contains a statistical profile of the Medicaid fraud referrals, audits, investigations, recoveries, and initiatives from the Office of the Medicaid Inspector General (OMIG) for quarter two of the 2022 fiscal year.

Recoveries/Recoupments/Initiatives

October 1, 2021, to December 31, 2021, recoveries and recoupments sent to DHS Accounts Receivable for collection, and OMIG Initiatives where overpayments were identified and reported to the Division of Medical Services and DXC.

\$57,097.42

Audits and Investigations

October 1, 2021, to December 31, 2021, Audits/Reviews

| GRAND TOTAL | 97 |
|-------------------------------------|----|
| Recoupment Letters | 41 |
| Provider Self Audit Requests | C |
| False Claims Act Compliance Reviews | C |
| Desk Audits | 56 |
| Onsite Audits/Reviews | C |

Referrals of Fraud and Prosecutions

A. Arkansas Attorney General's Medicaid Fraud Control Unit

Pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 20-77-2506, the Medicaid Inspector General shall work with the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit (MFCU) of the Office of the Arkansas Attorney General, prosecuting attorneys, and law enforcement agencies. The Medicaid Inspector General refers audit investigations to MFCU when there is a credible allegation of fraud. *See 42 CFR § 455.23*.

From October 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021, **eleven (11)** Medicaid provider investigations have been referred to the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit of the Attorney General's Office.

From October 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021, the Attorney General's Office obtained **two (2)** criminal convictions in which the defendant was ordered to pay restitution. The Attorney

General's Office had **two (2)** arrests. Total restitution collected from criminal convictions during this time was **\$ 970.00**. Total restitution collected from civil cases during this quarter was **\$2,000.00**.

B. Other Suspected Fraud Referrals

In addition to referrals of suspected fraud to the Arkansas Attorney General's Office, OMIG shall also make referrals and coordinate efforts with other federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies. *See Ark. Code Ann.* §20-77-2506(2).

From October 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021, **twenty (20)** Medicaid recipients have been referred to the appropriate agency for further investigation.